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DONALD W. "DON" BEATTY, Chief Justice, of Spartanburg. Term expires July 31, 2024. Address: P.O. Box 3543, Spartanburg 29304, Tel. (864) 596-3450, Fax (864) 596-2202



BEATTY, Donald W. "Don" (Spartanburg Co.)—g. S.C. State Univ., B.A., 1974; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1979; mem., City Council, City of Spartanburg, 1988–90; mil. serv.: Officer, USA; former mem.: Piedmont Legal Servs. Bd. of Dirs.; Spartanburg Residential Dev. Corp.; Southside Neighborhoods Assn. Partnership; BB&T Adv. Bd.; BMW minority Adv. Bd./BMW Construction Project; current mem., Sentencing Reform Comm.; Natl. Adv.

Bd. of the Bryson Center for Judicial Science Educ.; Conference of Chief Justices Bd. of Dirs.; Natl. Courts and Sciences Institute Bd. of Dirs.; elected mem. of the American Law Institute; House of Reps., 1991–95; served as VC and Chm.-elect of the S.C. Legis. Black Caucus; Seventh Circuit Fee Dispute Resolution Com.; Sentencing Guidelines Comm.; Com. to Review S.C. Drug and Common Laws; Judge of the Seventh Circuit, 1995–03; Court of Appeals, 2003–07; elected to Supreme Court May 23, 2007 to fulfill unexpired term of E.C. Burnett, retired; qualified Aug. 10, 2007; re-elected Feb. 3, 2010; elected Chief Justice May 25, 2016, to fulfill unexpired term of Costa M. Pleicones, upon his retirement; assuming seat January 1, 2017.

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JOHN WILLIAMSON KITTREDGE, Associate Justice, Seat 3, of Greenville. Term expires July 31, 2028. Home Address: 305 East North St., Suite 216, Greenville 29601, Tel. (864) 467-8593

KITTREDGE, John Williamson (Greenville Co.)—b. Sept. 28, 1956 in Greenville; s. the late E. H. Kittredge, Jr. and Marian J. Kittredge; g. Univ. of S.C., B.S., summa cum laude, 1979, J.D., 1982; June 20, 1981 m. Lila Graham Hewell, 3 children, Lila Marian, Will, and Zay, 1 grandson; Phi Beta Kappa, Order of the Coif; Order of the Wig & Robe; past Pres., Crime-



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stoppers of Greenville; past Chm., City of Greenville Civil Serv. Comm.; past mem., Gov.'s Com. on Criminal Justice, Crime & Delinguency; past Bd. mem. & VP, Greenville Tech. Coll. Foundation; past mem., S.C. Jt. Legis. Com. on Children; Gov.'s Juvenile Justice Task Force, 1995-98; First Presbyterian Church; Chm., Chief Justices Comm. on the Profession, 2008-; Natl. CALEA Comr., 2014-17; elected Family Court Judge, 13th Judicial Circuit, May 8, 1991 and served continuously until elected Judge at-large, Seat 11, Feb. 14, 1996; qualified May 3, 1996; served continuously until elected Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit May 6, 1998; qualified June 9, 1998, served continuously until elected Judge of the Court of Appeals, Seat 3, May 28, 2003-08, served continuously until elected Assoc. Justice of the Supreme Court, Seat 3, Feb. 6, 2008; qualified May 14, 2008, serving continuously since. 

KAYE G. HEARN, Associate Justice, Seat 4, of Conway. Term expires July 31, 2022. Home Address: P.O. Box 438, Conway 29528, Tel. (843) 915-8980



HEARN, Kaye Gorenflo (Horry Co.)—b. Jan. 30, 1950 in Delaware, Ohio; d. James F. and Kathleen (Haines) Gorenflo; g. Bethany Coll., B.A., cum laude, 1972; Univ. of S.C., J.D., cum laude, 1977; Univ. of Va., LL.M., 1998; Hon. Doctorate of Law, Charleston School of Law, 2010; Hon. Doctorate of Humanities, Francis Marion Univ., 2011; Hon. Doctorate of

Law, Univ. of S.C., 2013; Feb. 16, 1980 m. George M. Hearn. 1 child, Kathleen Wrenn: Order of the Wig and Robe: recipient, Amer, Jurisprudence Award, Conflict of Laws: Legal Writing Instructor; law clerk to the Honorable J. B. Ness, Assoc. Justice of the S.C. Supreme Court, 1977-79; private law practice, 1979-86; mem., Bd. of Bar Examiners, 1984-86; Horry Co. Family Court Judge, 1986-95; Pres., S.C. Conf. of Family Court Judges, 1992–93; S.C. Trial Lawyers Assn,'s Portrait Honoree, 2004; Pres., Council of Chief Judges of State Courts of Appeal, 2005-06; mem., St. Anne's Episcopal Church; elected Judge of the Court of Appeals Mar. 21, 1995–Feb. 2000; elected Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals June 2. 1999 to fulfill the unexpired term of Chief Judge William T. Howell, retired; qualified May 4, 1999; elected Assoc, Justice of the Supreme Court, Seat 4, May 13, 2009 to succeed John H. Waller, retired; qualified Jan. 1, 2010, serving continuously since.

 JOHN CANNON FEW, Associate Justice, Seat 2, of Greenville. Term expires July 31, 2026. Address: 305 E. North St., Suite 311, Greenville 29601

FEW, John Cannon (Berkeley Co.)—b. Apr. 9, 1963 in Anderson; s. J. Kendall and Belva Beasley Few; g. Duke Univ., B.A., 1985; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1988; 3 children, Reed, Anna, and Cannon; Oct. 12, 2019 m. Stephanie Leonard Few; Judge of the Thirteenth Circuit, Seat 2, 2000–10; Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, 2010–16; elected to Supreme Court, Feb. 3. 2016.



GEORGE C. "BUCK" JAMES, JR., Associate Justice, Seat 5, of Sumter. Term expires July 31, 2030. Address: P.O. Box 1716, Sumter 29151, Tel. (803) 436-2150

JAMES, George C. "Buck", Jr. (Sumter Co.)—b. June 2, 1960 in Savannah, Ga.; s. the late George C. James and Ren F. James; g. The Citadel, B.S., 1982; Univ. of S.C., J.D., 1985; m. Mar. 22, 1986, 2 children; private practice, firm of Richardson, James & Player, 1985–00; Partner, firm of Lee, Erter, Wilson, James, Holler & Smith, LLC, 2000–06; admitted to



practice in S.C. and U.S. Dist. Court for the Dist. of S.C.; Wilson Hall School, Bd. of Trustees, 1998–06; former Dixie Youth baseball coach; former YMCA youth basketball coach; mem.: S.C. Bar; Sumter Co. Bar Assn.; former mem., S.C. Defense Trial Attys. Assn. & Defense Research Inst.; Matthew J. Perry Civility Award, 2009; mem., Trinity United Methodist Church; Judge of the Third Circuit, Seat 2, Feb. 15, 2006–17; elected Assoc. Justice of the Supreme Court, Seat 5, Feb. 1, 2017 to succeed Donald W. Beatty, elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

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